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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract filed with the attached Abstract hereto.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the specification with the substitute specification attached herein.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1-29 as follows:

- A) 1. (Amended) A drive apparatus, comprising:
 a first electric motor that raises an engine to a speed for an ignition; and
 a control unit for controlling the engine and the first electric motor, wherein
the control unit performs prepositioning control for controlling the first electric motor with a
torque output so that the engine is positioned at a predetermined crank-shaft position when
stopped.